RESOLUTION NO. 41583

A RESOLUTION relating to stormwater management; authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with Pierce Conservation District, in the amount up to $611,878, budgeted from the Stormwater Fund, to assist with the implementation of green stormwater infrastructure and low impact development projects, co-manage the open space volunteer program, and to help grow Tacoma's urban tree canopy, for a two-year period through December 31, 2026.

WHEREAS this recommendation from the Environmental Services Department is based on compliance with the Phase I Municipal Stormwater Permit and City goals stated in the City's Climate Action Plan, Stormwater Management Plan, and the Urban Watershed Protection Plan to ultimately relieve pressures on the stormwater infrastructure and urban natural areas, and

WHEREAS the Green Stormwater Mini-Grants, Depave, and Make-a-Splash Grants programs engage community members in Green Stormwater Infrastructure/Low Impact Development ("GSI/LID") projects that protect, clean, and restore surface water and promote stormwater education, and

WHEREAS this agreement with Pierce Conservation District ("PCD") will streamline the City's reach and ability to preserve and improve the natural environment by implementing GSI/LID projects, stewarding open spaces, reconnecting communities to nature, providing trees, and preserving the tree canopy to improve stormwater management and co-benefits such as reducing heat island effects, and

WHEREAS additionally, this agreement will enhance and expand the City's existing collaborations with PCD, allowing for increased efficiency; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to enter into an interlocal agreement with Pierce Conservation District, in the amount of $611,878, budgeted from the Stormwater Fund, to assist with the implementation of green stormwater infrastructure and low impact development projects, co-manage the open space volunteer program, and to help grow Tacoma's urban tree canopy, for a two-year period through December 31, 2026, as more specifically set forth in the document on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted _____

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney